Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 57

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 73

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 57—Relative to highways.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 57, Cunneen. California Highway Patrol Officer Franke A. Story Memorial Highway: West Valley Freeway.

This measure would designate the portion of State Highway Route 86 between the City of Imperial and the City of Brawley in Imperial County the California Highway Patrol Officer Franke A. Story Memorial Highway and would designate State Highway Route 85 the West Valley Freeway.

The measure would also request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost of appropriate plaques and markers showing these designations and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect appropriate plaques and markers.

WHEREAS, California Highway Patrol Officer Franke A. Story, badge number 4238, a dedicated traffic officer, was killed in the line of duty at the age of 25 years, while on a traffic stop on northbound State Highway Route 86 at Larsen Road in the early morning darkness of July 19, 1967; and

WHEREAS, Officer Story, who was unaware that the vehicle he had stopped had been stolen earlier, was shot and killed by the driver; and

WHEREAS, The driver, who was prosecuted for the murder of Officer Story and sentenced to life in prison, died in prison in 1996; and

WHEREAS, Officer Franke A. Story began his career with the Department of the California Highway Patrol on January 3, 1966, and was assigned to the El Centro Area Office in Imperial County on April 27, 1966; and

WHEREAS, Officer Story was survived by a wife and daughter; and

WHEREAS, The dedication contemplated by this measure will remind us all of the dangers confronting officers each time they put on the uniform, make an enforcement stop, or uncover a crime; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting, therefore, that the portion of State Highway Route 86 between the City of Imperial and the City of Brawley in Imperial County be dedicated to the memory of this officer who made the ultimate sacrifice in his service to the people of the State of California; now, therefore, be it

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Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the portion of State Highway Route 86 between the City of Imperial and the City of Brawley in Imperial County be officially designated the California Highway Patrol Officer Franke A. Story Memorial Highway; and be if further

Resolved, That the Department of Transportation is requested to determine the cost of appropriate plaques and markers, consistent with the signing requirements for the state highway system, identifying California Highway Patrol Officer Franke A. Story, and upon receiving donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover that cost, to erect those plaques and markers; and be it further

Resolved, That State Highway Route 85 is hereby officially designated the West Valley Freeway; and be it further

Resolved, That the Department of Transportation is requested to determine the cost of appropriate plaques and markers, consistent with the signing requirements for the state highway system, showing the designation of the West Valley Freeway and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those plaques and markers; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit a copy of this resolution to the Director of Transportation.